

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are listed as follows:

1. (Original) Reinforcement ply for a tire, formed of reinforcement elements embedded in coating products, wherein it comprises a first and a second layer of metallic elements parallel to one another, embedded in a coating product or coating products and, between the said two layers, a third layer of elements made from a textile material and embedded in a coating product, the said textile elements being orientated relative to the metallic elements of the said two layers at an angle between 70° and 110°.
- 2 . (Original) Reinforcement ply according to Claim 1 wherein the textile material is aromatic polyamide.
- 3 . (Original) Ply according to Claim 1, wherein the textile elements are monofilaments.
- 4 . (Original) Ply according to Claim 1, wherein the metallic elements are steel cables said to be elastic and are identical in the first and second layers.
- 5 . (Original) Ply according to Claim 4, wherein the rubber mixtures of the three layers have identical constitution.

6. (Original) Ply according to Claim 4, wherein the mixtures of the said two layers have identical constitution while the mixture of the third layer has a different constitution.

7. (Currently Amended) Tire with a radial carcass reinforcement surmounted radially by a crown reinforcement comprising at least one so-termed protection ply, wherein the said ply is a ply according to ~~any of Claims 1 to 6~~ Claim 1.